Waiting to attend a No Worker Left Behind (NWLB) orientation?

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Where do I go to attend a NWLB orientation?

The starting point for NWLB is your local Michigan Works! Agency (MWA). There are 25 MWAs covering every county in Michigan. To find the office nearest you, call 1.800.285.WORK or go to the Michigan Works! Association website, www.michiganworks.org.

Why do I have to wait to attend a No Worker Left Behind (NWLB) orientation?

The NWLB initiative has received an overwhelming response from workers who want to build their skills for new careers. In many areas the volume of people interested in NWLB has necessitated the creation of waiting lists at local Michigan Works! Agency offices (MWA). Waiting lists ensure everyone interested in NWLB will be assisted "first come first served" as promised by the Governor.

Why don't Michigan Works! Agencies just schedule more orientations?

Attending an orientation is the first step in the NWLB process. Although local MWA offices could conduct more orientations, it would only create a bottleneck at the next step in the process. The objective is to assist as many people as possible while still providing quality service.

What should I do while I'm waiting?

Continue to use the resources available through the MWA. Find out what the NWLB process entails at the office you're working with. Review your background and begin to determine what training may help you attain your goals and be prepared to move forward once you're able to start.

What if I have more questions?

Please contact your local Michigan Works! Agency. To find a listing of offices, go to the Michigan Works! website at: http://michiganworks.org/ or email the No Worker Left Behind staff at NWLB@Michigan.gov.